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RE: 2007 Performance-based Contract Allocations and Negotiation Process

We welcome the opportunity once again to work with you to bring core public health services to the citizens of your jurisdiction and the State of Wisconsin through the Performance-based Contract Process. Together we have successfully improved the health of our communities while continuing to face the challenge of budget cuts, new emerging health risks and emergency outbreaks.

The programs that will be part of the performance-based contracts based on available funds in Calendar Year 2007 are: Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention, Family Planning/Reproductive Health, Immunization, Maternal and Child Health, Oral Health, Preparedness, Radon, Tobacco Prevention and Control, and Well Woman.

The Radon Protection Program is joining the Performance-based Contract Process for the first time this year. The Prevention grant was eliminated in the President's budget. Recently the House of Representatives voted to restore the grant, but the Senate has not taken action as of yet. If the Senate restores the grant, it is speculative on what the outcome will be with the Administration. More information will be provided as available.

The Performance-based Contract Process is now in its seventh year. It has changed over that time as recommendations have come forth from the Performance-based Contract Steering Committee. This committee is broad-based, having representation from Local Public Health Departments, DPH Operations, DPH Programs and DPH Regional Offices. The information outlined in the negotiation process reflects the consensus of these parties on good and fair practice during negotiations.

This manual contains information pertinent to the calendar year 2007 Performance-based Contract Process. The manual begins with an introduction and contains sections on the funding formula, negotiations, program specific information, and the Grants and Contracts (GAC) system information.

This is initial information that will allow you to begin to develop your objectives for calendar year 2007. Training on various aspects of the contract process are available for "on demand" viewing through our MediaSite webcasts. These webcasts should be viewed prior to September 1. Information on how to view the webcasts is included in the Introduction or go to the following website: <a href="http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/Health/GAC/index.htm">http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/Health/GAC/index.htm</a>. After September 1, please contact your regional office director or contract administrator for any additional information or needs regarding the GAC, program contacts or about the process.

Thank you.